

October 26, 2004

CAL 3-04-001

Mr. Dennis L. Koehl
Site Vice-President
Point Beach Nuclear Plant
Nuclear Management Company, LLC
6590 Nuclear Road
Two Rivers, WI 54241-9516

SUBJECT: PUBLIC MEETING ON OCTOBER 18, 2004, TO DISCUSS PERFORMANCE
OF THE POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT

Dear Mr. Koehl:

This letter refers to the public meeting conducted on October 18, 2004, in Two Creeks, Wisconsin. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss, in detail, your progress in meeting the commitments made by the Nuclear Management Company (NMC), as documented in the Confirmatory Action Letter (CAL), dated April 21, 2004.

At the meeting, NMC officials stated that progress had been made on meeting the CAL commitments but that challenges exist. Your staff stated that 101 of the 143 CAL Action Plan items were complete and that Point Beach's culture is changing as evidenced by more engagement of the ACEMAN and other human performance tools, the length of time without a Station Clock Reset, displays of stronger questioning attitudes, and examples of increased staff ownership of issues. Your staff provided a detailed overview of results, progress, and challenges within your nine focus areas, which are:

- Human Performance
- Corrective Action Program
- Emergency Preparedness
- Oversight and Assessment
- Engineering Organizational Effectiveness
- Configuration Management
- Management Effectiveness
- Equipment Reliability
- Training Organizational Effectiveness

Mr. Reynolds of the NRC concluded the meeting with an acknowledgment of the information provided by you, Mr. Doug Cooper, and other NMC officials. Mr. Reynolds provided a summary of the themes and messages he heard during the meeting and thanked you for your openness and candor throughout the course of the discussions.

A listing of principal NMC and NRC meeting attendees and a copy of the handout provided by NMC at the meeting are enclosed as Enclosures 1 and 2, respectively, to this letter.

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If you have any questions regarding this meeting, please contact me at (630) 829-9627.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Patrick L. Loudon, Chief
Branch 5
Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosures:

1. List of Principal Attendees
2. Licensee Presentation Slides

cc w/encl: F. Kuester, President and Chief
Executive Officer, We Generation
J. Cowan, Executive Vice President
Chief Nuclear Officer
D. Cooper, Senior Vice President, Group Operations
J. McCarthy, Site Director of Operations
D. Weaver, Nuclear Asset Manager
Plant Manager
Regulatory Affairs Manager
Training Manager
Site Assessment Manager
Site Engineering Director
Emergency Planning Manager
J. Rogoff, Vice President, Counsel & Secretary
K. Duveneck, Town Chairman
Town of Two Creeks
Chairperson
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J. Kitsembel, Electric Division
Public Service Commission of Wisconsin
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PUBLIC MEETING PRINCIPAL ATTENDEES
October 18, 2004

NMC

Douglas Cooper	Senior Vice-President
Dennis Koehl	Site Vice-President
Gary Van Middlesworth	Vice-President, Nuclear Oversight
Ed Weinkam	Director of Regulatory Services
Jim McCarthy	Site Director
Jim Shaw	Plant Manager
Jim Schweitzer	Site Engineering Director
Brian Dungan	Operations Manager
Jim Connolly	Regulatory Affairs Manager
Renee Milner	Business Support Manager
Mike Holzmamnn	Manager, Nuclear Oversight
Walt Smith	Performance Manager

NRC

Steve Reynolds	Deputy Director, Division of Reactor Projects
Patrick Loudon	Chief, Branch 5, Division of Reactor Projects
Harold Chernoff	Project Manager - Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Paul Krohn	Senior Resident Inspector - Point Beach
Robert Krsek	Senior Resident Inspector - Kewaunee
John Jacobson	Senior Reactor Inspector
Mike Kunowski	Project Engineer
Mike Morris	Resident Inspector - Point Beach
Audrey Klett	Reactor Inspector